

STATE OF ILLINOIS STUDENT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS
2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Illinois State Law requires that all students prior to entering:

- Illinois schools for the first time
- Kindergarten
- 6th Grade
- 9th Grade

must have a current (conducted within one year of entering the given grade) **physical examination with a current immunization record**. Students entering sixth grade will be required to provide proof of Tdap vaccination along with the school physical forms that are also required for these grades.

Illinois requires students to have proof of immunization to enter school. By October 15th each year, students must have an Illinois Child Health Examination form signed by a physician, nurse in physician's office, school nurse, or local health agency and the form has to show: the type of immunization given, number of immunizations and dates immunizations were given. If the form is not received by October 15th, the child will be excluded from school until they can prove they received the required immunizations unless the child has a valid medical or religious exemption.

The State of Illinois has mandated that **dental examinations** are required for children entering:

- Kindergarten
- 2nd Grade
- 6th Grade
- St. Francis Xavier School recommends children entering school for the first time to have a dental examination.

Each child is required to present proof of examination by a dentist prior to May 15 of the 23-24 school year.

Vision examinations are required for children entering:

- Kindergarten
- Or upon first entry into an Illinois school beyond Kindergarten.

Before October 15 of the school year, each child to whom the eye examinations requirement applies is required to present proof of an eye examination by a licensed optometrist or medical doctor who performs eye examinations.

Please be aware of the following:

- Your child's health/immunization form should be in the school office no later than **August 1, 2023**. The completed health/immunization form (**with parent section top of page 2 completed and signed**) may be brought to the rectory mail slot or mailed to school.
- This completed form may be substituted for the Athletics Physical form, however, the Athletics form cannot be substituted for the State of Illinois Certificate of Child's Health Examination.
- Please retain a photocopy for your own records.
- Physicians must conform to State Law requirements regarding immunizations or your child may be excluded from school.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please call the school office at 708-352-2175 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Peggy Evans
School Secretary